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Trustee alleges mayor violated Freedom of Information Act

ROSSVILLE—A village trustee and the mayor may be seeing each other in court.

Trustee William Galloway on Dec. 9 filed a complaint against Mayor Merv Smith, alleging Smith did not respond appropriately to Galloway's request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

Galloway's complaint, filed by attorney Calvin Hultquist, claims Smith provided only part of the information requested. Galloway also alleges Smith told him other information stored in the village computer system, was not able to be produced.

The suit asks that Smith provide access to all village records and stop denying Galloway access, as well as "reasonable attorney fees incurred as a result of this litigation."

The complaint stems from a Nov. 10 letter from Galloway to Smith requesting an opportunity "to inspect and/or photocopy":

❑all money market certificates and certificates of deposit owned or held by the village, as well as other

financial records from 1996 and 1997.

❑all resumes, employment applications and police training certifications for all police officer applicants from 1993-97.

❑all paperwork authored by village officials, employees or police in connection with the investigation and prosecution of Kathy Roark, former village clerk/collector. Information is requested from 1995-97.

❑invoices, estimates and payments made for electrical services and construction or repair on village-owned buildings from 1996-97.

❑monthly, weekly, quarterly or annual reports and other documentation of activities of the village police department from 1995-97.

❑minutes from an Oct. 20 executive session. This request was made in Galloway's capacity of trustee.

❑audit reports from 1995-97.

Galloway also requested a meeting with auditor Phyllis Parks and Hultquist to review the June 1997 audit

Local county board rep to run unopposed in March 1998 primary

Garold R. "Gary" Weinard, Vermilion County Board district 1 representative, will face no competition in the March 17, 1998 primary.

Weinard, of rural Hoopeston, is the only Republican running for the seat.

No Democratic challengers filed.

In county races, incumbent treasurer Sue Stine, (R-Catlin) will face no challenges from Republican candidates, but David L. Sprouls of Danville will run on the Democratic ticket.

Incumbent supervisor of assessments Gary Hix (R-Danville) has no same-party challengers; Donald R.

Crist (D-Indianola) will be on the ballot.

Ballots for the two-year recorder's term will show incumbent Nancy J. Kelly (R-Ridge Farm) and Democrat Bob Iverson of Danville.

County clerk Lynn Foster (D-Danville), sheriff Pat Hartshorn (R-Danville) and regional schools superintendent Jim Trask (R-Oakwood) face no competition.

Board of Review candidates are: Alfred "Alfie" Bott, (D-Danville), district 1; Gene E. Frerichs, incumbent, (R-Armstrong), district 2; and Maurice W. Arbuckle (D-Fairmount) and Royce M. Wolfe (R-Westville), district

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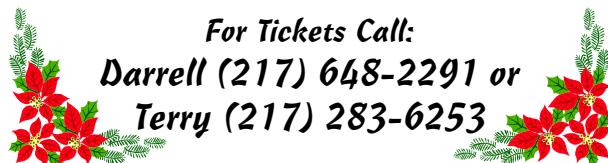
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| 2. Ross Electric | 213½ | 122½ |
| 3. Ferdinand Construction | 204½ | 131½ |
| 4. DM Fertilizer | 190 | 146 |
| 5. Razor's Edge | 176 | 160 |
| 6. Danny's Sign Shop | 169½ | 166½ |
| 7. Ten Pin Alley | 158 | 178 |
| 8. Hoopeston Awards | 127½ | 208½ |
| 9. Penicook Insurance | 115½ | 200½ |
| 10. Crunch's | 94 | 242 |

High Team Game: Ross Electric, 825; **High Team Series:** Ross Electric, 3,109; **High Ind. Game:** Dennis Gress, 257; **High Ind. Series:** Todd Keith, 869.

Games over 225: Mike Dean, 256; Eric Gress, 237; Mike Wasson, 225; Doug Wagoner, 226; Dennis Gress, 257; Brandon Hamilton, 225; Todd Keith, 225, 226, 237; Tony Gress, 247; Steve Coon, 235; Tim Coon, 243.

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report. Galloway's suit alleges discrepancies in the report have not been addressed "with any specificity."

Galloway would not comment on the suit. "It would be illegal for me to make a statement about it because it was done in executive session," he said.

Hultquist was not available for comment.

Smith said village attorney Steve Miller will handle

Obituaries

OWEN - Cecil S. "Bluegrass" Owen, 71, of Hoopeston, died at 8:50 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 16, 1997, at home. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be 5-8 Friday and one hour before services at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to Carle Hospice or a charity of the donor's choice.

WATSON - Gary Eugene Watson, 48, of Rossville, died at 9 a.m. Monday, Dec. 15, 1997, at Huron Valley Sinai Hospital, Detroit, Mich. Funeral services and burial will be private. Visitation will be 5-8 p.m. Thursday at the Wolfe Funeral Home, Rossville.

Bowling Scores



Series over 800: Mike Dean, 857; Dennis Gress, 848; Todd Keith, 869; Tony Gress, 848; Jay Ferdinand, 811.

Monday Night Ladies Bowling League

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| 1. Stokely USA, Inc. | 31 | 14 |
| 2. Ten Pin Alley | 28 | 17 |
| 3. Family Affair | 28 | 17 |
| 4. Red Apple Restaurant | 27 | 18 |
| 5. Hoopeston Hospital | 25 | 20 |
| 6. Community Bank | 24 | 21 |
| 7. Goof-Balls | 24 | 21 |
| 8. Shala's Hair Studio | 23 | 22 |
| 9. Palmer Bank | 22 | 23 |
| 10. Carolynn's | 22 | 23 |
| 11. The Moody B's | 21 | 24 |
| 12. Weber's Drug Store | 20 | 25 |
| 13. Gillins Oil | 20 | 25 |
| 14. Rethelford Carpeting | 20 | 25 |
| 15. Razor's Edge | 20 | 25 |
| 16. Team #16-Bye | 5 | 40 |

High Ind. Game: Glenda Reed, 202; **High Ind. Series:**

Court Dispositions



Dec. 4: April Russell, Ambia, Ind., \$596 due; continued.

Jesusa Salinas, Hoopeston, warrant on file, no valid driver's license; nolle pros.

Adam Sinn, Hoopeston, disobeying stop sign, pleaded guilty; \$95 total, three months court supervision.

Duke Speiser, Bloomington, speeding; forfeited bond.

In the Hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital

Dec. 16, 1997

Admitted: none.

Discharged: Ella Meyer, Edith Vance, Alice Hardwick.

Weather



Mostly cloudy today. High 45. Tonight, cloudy. Low 34. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High 45, low 35.

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Glenda Reed, 588; **High Team Game:** Ten Pin Alley, 1,074; **High Team Series:** Hoopeston Hospital, 3,116.

Games over 200: Patty Lowe, 200; Glenda Reed, 201, 202.

Series over 500: Patty Lowe, 549; Linda Nicholls, 500; Shirley Grant, 517; Angie Bell, 540; Barb Rethelford, 525; Patty Cappellano, 533; Mona Birch, 546; Glenda Reed, 588; Sandy Gress, 509.

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